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1. THE TWO INDIAN WIRE SERVICES REPORT FROM ALLAHABAD THAT JUDGE SINHA FOUND MRS. GANDHI GUILTY OF CORRUPT ELECTION PRACTICES. THE JUDGE HAS SET ASIDE HER 1971 ELECTION TO THE LOK SABHA AND DISQUALIFIED HER FROM CONTESTING OR HOLDING A PARLIAMENTARY OR STATE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SEAT FOR SIX YEARS.

2. WITHIN HALF-AN-HOUR OF HIS DECISION, JUDGE SINHA RESPONDED TO A PLEA BY THE PRIME MINISTER'S COUNSEL BY STAYING THE ORDER FOR TWENTY DAYS.

3. THE WIRE SERVICES FURTHER REPORT THAT THE PRIME MINISTER HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO FILE AN APPEAL WITH THE SUPREME COURT.SCHNEIDER

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